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Is It Worth While?

Two years ago, at the time of the Fedbety-one million nine hundred and enty-two thousand two hundred and sixty-five inhabitants, without Cyster Bay.

it is a considerable population, and alls stupendous aggregate of interests. poral, social and material, rests upon and is bound up in the Government which we have.

is it or is it not worth while for the terests of these ninety-one million ine hundred and seventy-two thoucans that their representative electors alould vote to enable one individual ini four years that, no matter what has eternally. Amen.' appened to all the rest and to their i. stitutions and to the destiny of the the land, has had another perfectly

The Importance of New York.

corking time?

Under the reapportionment act of 1911 New York will have forty-five elecoral votes to give to the candidate for resident who carries the State in Nosember. In 1896, 1900, 1904 and 1908 the Republican candidate would have been elected if he had failed to carry New York. In 1912 the Democrat selected at the Baltimore convention must obtain a plurality of the popular vote in this State or he cannot be President.

A brief study of the table of 531 elecoral votes illuminates this proposition. The last Republican candidate for President received 321 votes and the Democratic candidate 162. In the Democratic olumn were six Maryland votes and in public in religious matters. the Republican column two Maryland votes. The number of votes in the Electoral College was then 483. Assum-President this year will carry the same States that declared for Mr. BRYAN in 1908, the solid South, Colorado, Nevotes can be counted for him under the new reapportionment. This would be 22 short of the 286 votes necessary to the opinion that it is inveterate. a choice. As Missouri is normally a Democratic State and is now represented in Washington by two Demoeratic Senators and thirteen Demohe electoral vote of Missouri, eighteen, seventy-four electoral votes

For the sake of the argument it is not | Golf in certain of its aspects reminds onsin, lowa, and probably Kansas, battling with curs intrusive. also the Pacific coast States California. Cour short of the required number.

On the other hand, take the case of their sensitive spirits. a Democratic candidate for President! York and was not so strong in the West. an well in New York he would doubtless for a Saturday half holiday. e acceptable to New Jersey, which has

port. No speculation in electoral votes that does not include those contributed 6 00 by New York can be made for a Demo-2 00 cratic candidate and give any comfort s oo to practical men in the party.

Curse.

Shortly after WILLIAM LAURENCE was consecrated as Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal diocese of Massachusetts he was obliged to make a public disclaimer of a prayer circulated in the form of a chain letter, which was alleged to have been authorized by him. The recipients! of the letter were informed that a greare Septembre.

whingto 1 office, Hibbs Building.

blessing would be theirs if they complete with its terms, while a curse would be their if they complete with its terms, while a curse would be their if they complete with its terms, while a curse would be their if they complete with its terms, while a curse would be their if they complete with its terms, while a curse would be their if they complete with its terms, while a curse would be their if they complete with its terms, while a curse would be their if they complete with its terms, while a curse would be their if they complete with its terms, while a curse would be their if they complete with its terms, while a curse would be their if they complete with its terms, while a curse would be their if they complete with its terms, while a curse would be their if they complete with its terms, while a curse would be their if they complete with its terms, while a curse would be their if they complete with its terms, while a curse would be their if they complete with its terms, while a curse would be their if they complete with its terms, while a curse would be their if they complete with its terms, while a curse would be their if they complete with its terms, while a curse would be their if they complete with its terms with the curse would be the curse with th fall on them if they failed so to do. The necessity Bishop LAURENCE was under to disown this palpable hoax is a shocking indication of popular credulity and superstition. This aspect of the incident excited considerable discussion and the Bishop's repudiation was widely irculated.

pretending to new authority. Some time ago substantially the same matter again came to public notice through its over the Balkan peninsula. relenumeration, this country contained appearance with a fraudulent indorsement of the Catholic Church. The auto set the seal of their disapproval on

o unting Mr. THEODORE ROOSEVELT of it. Once more it seemed that public exposure and condemnation must put questionably caused much unhappiness. But this was not the case, and the prayer to the mountains. Foreign despatches without pretence of ecclesiastical sanceffect on those to whom it is addressed. and two hundred and sixty-five Amer- One of the chain letters received recently in a New Jersey town was:

"O Lord, I implore Thee to keep me abitant and citizen to report at the end from all evil and take us to dwell with You

" This prayer was sent to one and all, over the world. . Copy it and send it to nine friends and

ine hundred and seventy-two thou- sign no name. See what it will bring you. and two hundred and sixty-sixth in It was sent in Jesus's time and all those who wrote would be delivered from all calamities, but those who did not pass it along would receive some misfortune. Commence patrolling the coast. the day you receive it and send it to nine friends, one each day, and the ninth day a serious fight, if the rebellion is really break the chain.

that many residents of western Massa- tion of large Turkish forces. In addi- and proper an opportunity to do so chusetts have recently been urged to tion there remains the grave peril that Antweller says in his good letter of May 21. maintain the chain, and that the majority Bulgaria and Greece, now for the first of those to whom the prayer has come time united by friendly understandings, have complied with the request and sent may seize the present opportunity to all the strength of humanity or women out the nine letters. Some very cutting move into Macedonia and provoke an things might be said of the mental con- acute crisis in the familiar Eastern Quesstory must be told of the people of every the great European Powers. community in which the prayer has appeared. It is a most dispiriting revela- A Fervent Crusader's Ex Post Facto tion of the gullibility or frivolity of the

nature compile the history of this mean fraud, and disclose the motives, so far sionate entreaty: ing that the Democratic candidate for as they can be learned, of those who. at the cost of labor and expense, have kept the chain alive? It would be interesting to know whether the form bearing traska. Nevada and Oklahoma, and Bishop Laurence's name was the for him who is not so "well off," in spite of etiquette owned by my brother that conceding Maryland to him, 174 electoral original. Probably it was not, for the of Brother Howland's smacking weekly persistence of the prayer in the face of contribution to the Contributing Edithe widest exposure gives strength to tor? Was ever a poor little or phan boom it on. Of course that is funny, but if the

Of the Joys of Golf.

Now that the season of golf tournaments is fully under way it may be well ratic Representatives out of sixteen, for the plodding searcher after swings, as well as for the scoffing sceptic who might reasonably be claimed for the never has followed the elusive white Democratic candidate for President sphere over hill and dale, to pause and his year. This would bring his total consider the vital fact that the big fat checks. Wherever the boom goes, walk with her while talking. No woman ip to 192 and leave a deficiency of competitions do not represent the game of golf at its best.

necessary to speculate in probabilities the observer of dogs. There is an or to mention "pivotal States." Suppose aristocratic race of dogs, thoroughbreds that the Democratic candidate this and ingeniously crossed, which dwell year should not be strong in the East in the rarefied region of blue ribbons. but could make a moving appeal in rings and spectators. These unfortuthe West. Even so, Illinois, which gave nate beasts are cared for so thoroughly the Republican candidate a plurality of that they have no lives of their own, not 305,039 in 1904 and 179,122 in 1908, could even a dog's life. They are nothing hardly be claimed for the Democratic more than exhibit A, B and C, set apart andidate, and in the same category from the ravishing delights of chasing could be put Minnesota, Michigan, Wis- back fence cats, stealing bones and

Prize golf players are not much better Oregon and Washington. But in a lib- off than these restrained dogs. These eral spirit allow him Ohio with 24 elec- drivers and putters in the championship toral votes, Indiana 15, North Dakota 5, class are compelled to keep ever before South Dakota 5, New Mexico 3, Arizona them the horrid spectre of score and 3, and the mountain States Montana 4, the relentless observation of the golf Idaho 4, Utah 4 and Wyoming 3, and in reporter. If they are off in their putting, all he would have 262 electoral votes, or the world knows it. If they top their drives, the deep scar of publicity sears plains this amazing arrogance? Why

But, like the Airedales and the Engwho made an effective appeal to New lish bulls, they have their uses. They are the glass of fashion and the mould of not? Does any one recall a country among the ninety-two million inhabitants The problem of getting the necessary form. They set a pattern for the humtotal of electoral votes would be very bler brethren who never emerge from September did not claim its daily service much simplified. Allow him the 174 the happy ranks of the duffer unknown from the eldest and the youngest boy, electoral votes of the States that went to fortune and to fame. They are the whose life ambition was to dive deepest, Democratic in 1908, add Missouri's 18 scientific breed, and they are needed, stay down longest and come up least and New York's 45, and the sum would But they cannot have as much fun as often to breathe? 207, or 29 electoral votes short of the the duffers, any more than a king can required number, 266. If this candidate have as much fun as a bank clerk out intellectual development which is so

14 electoral votes, and to Connecticut, petitions, but who steal a day off in the of Yankee boys, of Hoosier boys, of all of us. shich has 7. These added would bring middle of the week, those comfortable plain American boys, have known how him up to 258, or 8 short of success. business men who have not perforce to to huntacoon, chase a woodchuck, shoot Arizona with 3 more might reasonably sit in the shop every hour lest a few a "mush" rat on the river? Twenty be counted for him. He would have a tricky dollars slip through the hands of years ago, in a world where there were be counted for him. He would have a tricky dollars sup through the names of lighting chance for Indiana's 15 votes their subordinates, these are the players still Indians, did not every country lad any pride left will she not remember to-day what and winning them he would be elected who get the most out of the game. Of ten, school out, start for the woods she owes Theodore Roosevelit' with a vengeance. The without the support of Colorado or Theirsthe sweet joy of noting the gradual behind the barn, there to build his tepee, lying New York press cannot fool all the without the support of Colorado or Theirsthesweetjoyofnoting the gradual behind the ball the time.

Nebraska, both of them originally disappearance of rheumatic kinks from smoke his rattan pipe of peace and all the time.

Had New York and Michigan had decent law The logic of the Democratic quest for follows the unexpected flight of the long; on earth, or die with Custer, still a respecting primaries they would also electoral votes calls imperatively for swift ball in the precise direction of the vital memory? the nomination of a candidate who can hole. Theirs the calm repose of the noon- To shoot straighter, swim further,

State; it does not matter where he comes; to get out! No golf reporter's prying eye half holiday? day's newspaper.

tion he drops into an easy chair and gives | not a trace of veracity. thanks to the divinities, with his sight directed toward heaven through the bottom of a long, slim glass.

Another Albanian Rising.

Far more serious for the Turks than Italian victories in the Egean or in mits their capture? Tripoli is the rebellion that has now broken out in Albania. Whether it be merely the prelude to the familiar rising in all the Balkans, which every spring In spite of this the prayer continued should bring, or a mere local revolt, this Gazette. The railway is that which is is through his peculiar appeal to the sporton its rounds, in certain cases bearing new disturbance in the Turkish Empire Bishop LAURENCE's name, in others will place an additional strain upon reenforcement of Ottoman forces all

A year ago Albania was in revolt and abuses and new outrages have accoman end to an imposture which had un- panied the restoration of Turkish power. Now the Albanians have again taken is still in circulation in the latest in- report serious skirmishes in several stances that have come to our attention parts of the country, and a Constantinople despatch to THE SUN announced tion, but apparently without loss of that a large Turkish force was to be sent to the scene of the fighting.

By the terms of the secret agreement between Austria and Italy which preceded the present war Italy is pledged to refrain from operations on the Euroarms and ammunition to the Albanian coast, is wholly unlikely, while Turkish ships are prevented by the war from

In this situation Albania should make you will receive some great joy. Don't national. As fighters the Albanians have long been unrivalled in the Turkish We learn from the Berkshire Courier Empire and can easily occupy the attendition of this majority, but the same tion which would inevitably involve all

Request.

"I ask with all the fervor of a crusader

in behalf of those who are not so well off!" Haven't the "well off" done enough surrounded by so many fairy godmothers? PERKINS took the lead, MUNSEY took the lead, ALECK COCHRAN took the ment's conversation with a woman, though lead. MEDILL McCORMICK took the in these days of bald heads it would be a lead. Dan Hanna took the lead. Contract Bull Flinn took the lead, GIFFORD innocent babe of politics have the "angels" showered such clouds of fine. wherever "the people" or a delegate are to be coddled, those "angels" with fluttering wings of one dollar and two dollar bills hover and land. The "well off," touched easily by the practical man. have taken a mighty active lead in his behalf. If the occasion comes, so far as gratitude is to his interest, no doubt he will take an equally active lead in their behalf.

A Word in Protest.

Is it not permitted to those whose their memories to their contemporaries to utter a mild protest against the fashion in which the rising generation finds it necessary to apologize for its fathers and seek elsewhere explanation for its own unrivalled stature?

Is it the boy scouteries, the ritual of the latest of youthful vagaries, that exmust we be reminded daily of the surprising fact that boys can now swim? Was there ever a time when they could creek, a rural stream, that from June to

The golfers who do not play in comof Vankee boys, of Hoosier boys, of all of us.

Henri de Lapitole. much vaunted to-day, this mastery of

carry New York and is not objectionable day hour at the clubhouse, free from send the canoe more surely and more

to the West. It goes without saying fear as to the effect of the generous swiftly, to creep through the under- THE "GOOD SPORT" ON THE that he must be able to attract the in- luncheon, free from alarm as to the re- brush more silently or know the forest dependent vote, a man devoted to reform venge of the subtle but masterful high- path more widely than their fathers did, but well balanced and courageous, and ball. Theirs, too, the carefree mind that is this the claim of the youths who in not of a temper to repel the business floats over the hazards and the fair green snug khaki uniforms, with polished men of the country. He may come from alike. What if one of them beats his metal guns and admirably decorative a Western or Southern or an Eastern helpless ball into a drain and takes eleven equipment, parade on every available with two Roosevelt meetings-at Paterson

from if New York will give him its sup- observes the despairing swats; no re- If it be, let us grant the uniform its tion as to the enthusiasm; he had the crowds lentless pen makes copy of it for the next charm. There was nothing like it when with him. On both occasions I mingled Ah! no, the burdens of royalty are plume, and the hatchet stolen from the the loudest of the shouters in conversation heavy in golf just as they are in dogdom. woodshed the most deadly of weapons. as to their admiration for "Teddy," as they Uneasy lies the head that has a small But what of the gear? In every country handicap. The cares of State hang and citified community, as well as every is all right; he is a sport." I questioned The Endless Chain Prayer and heavy over it; but thrice happy he who, remote hamlet, Indian warriors, Rebels, another: "Do you believe that Roosevelt is neavy over it; but thrice happy he who, remote hamlet, Indian warriors, Rebels another: "Do you believe that Roosevelt is thought it best to proceed in English, for reckless of fame or M. G. A. rating, can or Yankees, British grenadiers and Hessally out upon the verdant links and hit sian oppressors, then marched visibly to the nerve: if they catch him in a lie he and hit and hit till his card will no longer certain doom. As for those who trailed contain the record of his havoe playing. them, slew them from behind rail forces Paterson who was doing more shouting than contain the record of his havor playing. them, slew them from behind rail fences the ordinary offered me a button with Then, hol back to the clubhouse with a or old stone walls, if they couldn't have "T. R." on it. I hesitated before accepting lecture, but the manager of Mr. Roosevelt's thirst that raises him to the level of the whipped twice their weight in boy scouts it and asked him: "Why are you so enthuantique gods, and with a sigh of satisfac- memory is false and in history there is siastic on your loyalty to Roosevelt?" "Ah!"

Marked progress in the construction of still another railroad short cut to the Far East is reported by the Railway Age Turkish finance and call for a further on the Tripolitan frontier. When this Paris for India and Australia will be sent is permissible; and no man knows this better road is completed mails from London and to Brindisi and thence by boat to Sollum and then by rail to Suez. Between Lonthe rebellion was rather bought off than don and Cairo the new route will save the sober minded and thinking people thorities of that church were prompt suppressed after severe fighting. The a day. Ultimately the Italians plan to the situation is one of apprehension for the promises of reform made by the Turks connect it with Derna in Tripoli and save permanency of our republic. What can be then have not been kept. All the old still more time and distance. Until the the quality of a citizen who proposes Roose shortest route to the Far East

> I wish to take this opportunity of ex I very deeply appreciate it.-Colonel Roose-

Or the Twenty-fifth Infantry!

Brigadier-General JOHN J. PERSHING would no doubt prefer the salubrious hills of West Point to the enervating pean mainland. But that Italy will climate of Mindanao, and if it is true that put forth any vigorous attempt to re- he is slated for the Military Academy strain her nationals from crossing the the corps of cadets is to be congratulated narrow Strait of Otranto and joining the General Persuing would be a worthy rebels, or her ships from transporting successor to that fine soldier Major-General THOMAS H. BARRY.

THE MANUAL OF POLITENESS

Breach, Others in the Observance. TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: These letters in TRE SUN may do away with some some of us who want to know what is right "Politeness has its basis in common sense he says in regard to men not monopolizing the weakness is also true. Many men who must earn the living of a family are great

in a car is a serious one to them. on to straps, standing before them, as well should be given their seats many times. The question of the ownership of the seat is certainly in favor of the boy, because he Why does not some student of human

At one of his taiking places in New is certainly in layor of the box. See got there first, but we are speaking of politeothers smile several times offered my seat that those who are well off take the lead stand than I, and once or twice had it taken with a look of relief, at other times refuse

because of the innate chivalry of the man.

When a girl I remember reading in a book when talking to a woman on the street or weather conditions are favorable it is cer tainly very pleasing to have a man hold virtues!" his hat in hand when engaged in a morather dangerous custom most of the time. It is like all hard and fast rules of etiquette.

There is one old fashioned rule of eti and Amos took the lead; on no other quette which, as it seems to me, should be observed: when a man meets a woman friend on the street with whom he wishe holding a man up or forcing him to talk with her on the street. There is another old fashloned courtesy which seems to be and five dollar and all sorts of dollar forgotten in the present day rush: a man should always precede a woman whom he is escorting up the stairs. There are common sense rules for these things, but the peated "Excuse me" of some people sneezing, for passing in front of you when they could not possibly go back of you, and other things of that sort are tiresome And why a man should uncover his head in a public elevator is beyond my conception In a hotel or store where women most do congregate it is proper, but not otherwise.

Ceremony is not and never can be polite ess, but I love courtesy and chivalry, and ties. years are not yet a burden to them or it makes my heart beat with pleasure when is shown me. Maybe I am a Southerner

A French Gentleman's Opinion.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: Of all the interesting letters on politeness that of Edward MacOwan Antweller is far the best to the point, because indeed genuine politeness has its basis in common sense, an shared by another gentleman called M. de la Bruyere, who at his times got some knowl edge concerning "Caractères.

This settled, can some of your reader of this country are gifted with the basis o

Being yesterday waiting for 1 car at the of 145th street and Eighth avenue found myself in company of a lady who ooked as having trained hard to beat the President at the scales. In her arms was diminutive Japanese. The car What, too, about this marvellous and the conductor, instead of the usual Step in," said with a stentorial voice, "All

NEW YORK, May 25.

The Calmness of Smith TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN Ser: An editorial in The Sun of May 21 said: "If Ohio ha

especting primaries they would also have st Michigan was ruled by a mob of Taft satellites t any regard for propriety, and with a ule of force. DETROIT, Mich., May 23.

STUMP.

Intelligent Observations on the Impres sion Mr. Roosevelt Makes in Jersey.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: Yesterday it was my fortune to come into contact and Newark, N. J. There can be no quesa stick was a gun, a rooster's feather a with the people and several times engaged styled him. One man told me: "Teddy he said, "Taft has no backbone. If Teddy Will any one regret the comfort and the ago." At the Military Park in Newark a solace bestowed upon the simple and much lusty lunged individual turned to me and further sum out of the fund allowed him for Opera House. Catholics and non-Catholics are tried citizens of New Jersey by the aussid: "He's all right, ain't he?" I asked sundry expenses. This is taken from the lics will unite in presenting to him or thoritative announcement in the news him to particularize and he explained. columns of the Evening Post that the "He's too slick for any of 'em. Why he forbass have begun to bite and the law pergets more about politics every day than
mits their capture?

Gets more about politics every day than
Taft ever knew!" And so on went the exshrug of their shoulders and the remark
The first to write his name and congratuquestioned. If any one doubts this statement let him make a similar experiment.

Roosevelt's wonderful hold on the public being built west from Alexandria and ing instinct rather than to serious thought will ultimately reach the Bay of Sollum or reflection. Politics with the great majority is a game in which any sort of tactics than Roosevelt, for he has the American equation gauged to the infinitesimal. To Bagdad and Trans-Persian railways are velt vs. Bryan, as "it would furnish lots of built this will unquestionably be the fun"? Is the Presidency of the United of discontent, but in so doing they have States a prize for mountebanks to contest for? It is certainly high time for a general awakening: politics is one of the first duties pressing my thanks to the colored men of of citizenship. The Presidency of the United are restricted to one variety of seed. Ohio. They stood by us just as though they had been the Ninth or Tenth Cavalry, and within the gift of any people. Whether States is one of the most exalted offices within the gift of any people. Whether Republican or Democrat it is important that both parties place in nomination candidates of the highest character and capacity. If the contest were for a jester's cap it might be excusable to propose Roosevelt and Bryan and "lots of fun." A man may yell for Roosevelt, admiring him as a sport or a shifty falsifier; but as a citizen his ballot should be influenced by higher motives.

If we expect to continue as a nation we intend the parties of the horizontal false of the horizontal false of the horizontal false of the highest character and capacity. If the contest were for a jester's cap it might be excusable to propose Roosevelt and Bryan and "lots of fun." A man may yell for Roosevelt, admiring him as a citizen his ballot should be influenced by higher motives.

If we expect to continue as a nation we intended the packages in the seed box are the tradesman, "show me your garden seeds this morning." "Yes, sir; this way," is the reply, and together they approach an Father Brann came to this country in the scale of native which neither drought, vermin, stray cattle nor eviction for an activity in many with that abiding falsi his provent plants them, with that abiding for his brow he plants them, with that abiding for his brow he plants them, with that abiding for his brow he plants them, with that abiding for his brow he plants them, with that abiding for his brow he plants them, with that abiding for his brow he plants them, with that abiding for his brow he plants them, with that abiding false here, at the seed to his country had been a prominent figure in this city since 1870, when he began his ministry in Manhattan.

Mgr. Brann can preach in five languages. He is a student of history, theology, art and prove the processes of nature which neither and science. He writes forcefully on religious and ecclesiastical subjects and occasionally fires a broadside at secular evils. Although he is nearly 75 Mer. He is a student of history, th

If we expect to continue as a nation we must bring to check the reign of demagogues and demagoguery from which we have long suffered. Roosevelt, Bryan and others of their kind have no place in our public life. They may furnish us entertainment and amusement, but only in the rôle of charlatans should we tolerate them. Our public offices should be given to men of integrity and ability. G. C. B.

NEWARK, N. J., May 25.

Henry Clay on Egomania as a Crime. flood let us pause and listen to one of the

flood let us pause and listen to one of the master spirits of America, the "mill boy of the slashes," Henry Clay:

"Pride, vanity, egotism, so unamiable and offensive in private life, are vices which partake of the character of crimes in the conduct of public affairs. The unfortunate of this achievement: for, in a sense, horti-

"Pride, vanity, egotism, so unamiable and offensive in private life, are vices which partake of the character of crimes in the conduct of public affairs. The unfortunate victim of these passions cannot see beyond the little, petty, contemptible circle of his own personal interests.

"All his thoughts are withdrawn from his country and concentrated on his consistency, his firmness, himself. The high, the exalted, the sublime emotions of patriotism, which, soaring toward heaven, rises far above all mean, low or selfish things and its absorbed by one soul transporting thought of the good and the glory of one's country, are never felt in his impenetrable bosom. That patriotism which, catching its inspirations from the immortal God and leaving at an immeasurable distance below all lesser, grovelling, personal interests and feelings, animates and prompts to deeds of self-sacrifice, of valor, of devotion and of self-sacrifice, of valor, of devotion and of death itself—that is public virtue; that is the noblest, the sublimest of all public that the sublimest of all public the noblest, the sublimest of all public that the sublimest of the sublimest them and particularly the country the soil to push the country the soil tof death itself—that is public virtue; that is the noblest, the sublimest of all public

he bottom rail will be on top. THREE SCORE AND TEN

Practional Paper Currency.

read that our immigrants should be "assimilated."
I cannot understand what that means. If an immigrant works and obeys the law, what more can be required? The Constitution does not prescribe any customs, habits or manners suit our tastes in our private affairs. Why can't immigrants have the same freedom? New York, May 21. Library.

On a Packet of Seeds. By a strictly amateur gardener. In panniered paper dress,

our pedigree or history No Sherlock Holmes could guess Tis true you bear in letters plain The legend "Hardy Pride, But outward seeming oft is vain To show what is inside.

And whether, when you come to sprout, You'll prove an onion set Or somewhat shyly should put out A spray of mignonette I cannot answer. You may be

Perhaps a summer squash. A cantaloupe, an apple tree, Or simply succotash. Oh, well! What is to be must be.

Il plant you in this row The charm of sweet uncertainty We farmers only know!

"BARNUM REDIVIVUS."

Parisian Incident of the Tour of Unparalleled Showman.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: Foreign opinion is of course of little import con-cerning our Presidential elections, but some readers of THE SUN may be interested in a nel Roosevelt was making his spectacular trip through Europe on his return from the African jungle. I was not in Paris at the time, but the French papers reported the promised to deliver a lecture in French at the Sorbonne. This offer was, of course, accepted with a feeling of pride and honor by the University of Paris. After saying : few sentences in French Colonel Roosevelt

After the lecture, with its usual platitudes 1,(6) francs as an "honoraire." In Paris this is considered a very large sum for a sum would be accepted. As the Paris University had no further available funds the matter was brought to the attention of the had been in his place he'd taken Mexico long President of the French Republic, who, for in Mgr. Brann's honor next Wednesthe sake of international courtesy, added a day night at the Lexington Avenue Parisian newspapers of the time, and no currence, the majority of the intellectual which contains the story of his achieveplanation from a dozen or more that I that Roosevelt was "Barnum redivivus, without Barnum's genius.
I spend every summer in Europe, mostly

in France, and can testify that wherea everybody respects the character of Presi dent Taft I never heard any one say that Colonel Roosevelt inspired any confidence to thoughtful foreigners. JAMES L. NUGENT.

MIAMI, Fla., May 21. GARDENS.

Where the Wild Oat Grows, Single Tax

Weed and Prickly Recall Vine. TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: To plant a garden requires a degree of physical endurance peculiar to certain high emprises. The idle rich may sow the seeds never been known to strain a muscle or a propriety. And it is food for sad reflection that, in their horticultural pursuits, the rich

The normal man who works for a living

this morning." "Yes, sir; this way," is the reply, and together they approach an sir, is what you want," says the tradesman "the seeds of discontent, sir, a very excellen quality, if I may say so." And the pur haser departs with the seeds reserved exlusively for gentry of his kind and sows them blithely in the early season of wine

and wassail.

Many men are interested in horticulture whose names are not well known in grange circles. This is particularly true of the TO THE EDITOR OF THE SUN-Sir: While many advantages that were denied the His Campaign of Dishonor" is at its highest gilded pioneers of his vocation, it is a sad

PORTO RICO.

Virtues!"

R. E. K.

JERSEY, CITY, May 24.

Thuman, All Toe Human.

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In January, 1800, Archbishop Corrigan.

Who was a schoolmate of Dr.

contact while in Porto Rico with all classes and in 1893 the school, which cost \$84,000 of people from the humblest peasant to was opened. The church was practically the conservative merchant and sugar destroyed by fire in 1898, but Dr. Brant planter, and I often heard the remark that found the means to rebuild it at a cost of not one of the many mistakes made by the \$60,000. In 1905 the church was free of American officers in the island impaired so debt. In 1908 the school had been paid

To the Editor of the Sun—Sit: In 1863 the copper token medium of exchange received as supplement an issue of "shinplasters." fractional paper currency, in subdivisions of 10 cents, 25 cents and 30 cents.

In the beginning the sources of issue were somewhat varied; at times from town local banks and in some instances from different municipalities. One of these municipal notes now before me bears date Troy, New York, October, 1882. The promissary feature is worded thus: "The City of Troy will pay to the Bearer Twenty-five Cents on demand in current bank notes when presented in sums of five dollars at the Chambersian's Office. Signed, James Frou, Mayor, A. S. Perry, Chambertain. Countersigned, T. Buckley, Register."

In March, 1863, the United States Government began its issue of fractional notes, 10s, 25s and 50s. The 10s and 25s bore the medallion of Washington, the 20s carried Lincoin's portrait.

Spraingfield, Ohio, May 23. V. S. W.

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NEW YORK, May 24. Jersey Jottings. From Cape May up to Sandy Hook

In every little nook and crook In Paterson and in Montclair: In Trenton on the Delaware In Orange, plain and East and South Newark, that is Essex Co City where the ferries go; In Red Bank, Rahway and Bayoung In Englewood and Essex Fells, temperature has jumped for fair. Due to the superheated air.

> There's peace to-day here's chance to pray they've ceased the fra till Monday.

No noise obtrudes in calmness broods he voter Some golf a bit. Swat flies, or sit; Some motor.

MAURICE MORRIS.

MGR. BRANN 50 YEARS IN THE PRIESTHOOD

Ceremonies to Mark Golden Jubilee of the Noted Catholic Pastor.

TAFT SIGNS TESTIMONIAL

Meeting on Wednesday of Distinguished Catholics and Non-Catholics.

The parishioners and friends of the Right Rev. Henry A. Brann, paster of St. Agnes's Church in East Fortythird street, will inaugurate his golden jubilee celebration with a reception illuminated album bound in cloth of gold latory greetings in the album was President Taft, and among the others whose greetings appear is Cardinal Farley.

The testimonial will be presented to Mgr. Brann by John D. Kernan of Utica. Their friendship began fifty years ago. when Mgr. Brann was vice-president of Seton Hall College. Addresses will be made by Chauncey

M. Depew, W. Bourke Cockran and others. After the speechmaking there will be a general reception and dancing.

The fiftieth anniversary of the ordination of Father Brann to the priesthood will be celebrated at St. Agnes's on Sunday, June 2. Cardinal Farley is planning to make the celebration a notable one. No other priest in this country has eve lived to celebrate a golden jubilee.

Mgr. Brann, who is nearing his 75th year—he was born in Parkstown, County Meath, Ireland, on August 15, 1837 has been a prominent figure in this city

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and Mount St. Vincent, the north and south boundaries of the territory under his jurisdiction, in which was included Spurten Duyvil, Riverdale, Mosholo.

And meanwhile old mortgages of church and rectory had been wiped out. convent and academy purchased and many improvements made to church

In January, 1910, the Pope made D Brann a domestic prelate with the title of monsignor. His congregation of about 10,000 is one of the largest in the city It is composed in part of the travelling public and of dwellers in the great hotels.

CONGRESS ON HYGIENE Iwenty-six Colleges and University ties Have Accepted Invitations.

WASHINGTON, May 25 .- Twenty-six of he important colleges and universities the United States already have accepted invitations to the Fifteenth International Congress on Hygiene and Demography. lar acceptances are coming in rapidly from ome of the best known universities Europe, and when the congress opens its sessions it is assured that many of the fore most educators of both the old and the new worlds will be in attendance as delegates meetings in the last sixty years of its existence, has given its approval to such curative agents as the Pasteur anti-rabie inoculation and to the diphtheretic anti-toxin, so that these great life saving agencies he rine available to the world. An greater results than these may be conved out of the Fifteenth International Congress by the scientists from the world's universities, since the congress will consider such beath problems as those which are afforded by acute anterior pollomyelitis (the disaded intantile paralysis), by hookworm and so of the ragencies which affect both the inori-idity and the mortality of the benaficiary.

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The universities of New York and admicent States which have sent acceptances to the congress up to the present date included the congress up to the present date included to a University, Dr. Phillip Hanson discretesive of physiology, delegate, Lehigh iniversity Henry Sturgis Drinker and Dr. W. L. Estes, delegates; New York University Chancellor Elmer E. Brown and Dr. Weitsburg, Chancellor Samuel Black of Cittsburg, Chancellor Samuel Black of Cormack and Thomas Shaw Arbathuot, delegates; Ochester Athena-um and Mechshick Institute, President Carleton B. Gibson, delegate.